

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend paragraph number [0054] as follows:

[0054] The body 202 may include ~~microballoons~~ Microballoons ®, or other hollow, finely divided, hole-free, low-density particles of synthetic resins to vary the density as desired;[[,]] fiber reinforcement, such as glass or carbon fibers, to tailor the mechanical properties;[[,]] or the addition of various filler materials such as, for example, silica for thermal resistance. With such flexibility in composition, the strain control device 200 may be customized and tailored for various environments and conditions. For example, it may be desirable to limit the amount of strain or elongation exhibited by the body 202 during operation. Thus, the inclusion of fiber reinforcing members in the body may allow the amount of elongation exhibited by the body 202 to be limited to a predetermined amount, thereby preventing potential damage to the body 202 and/or any transmission lines disposed therein.